GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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MINING LEASE
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the mining lease for various minerals granted to Public Sector specially in Scheduled areas of Orissa, Andhra Pradesh, Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh during Tenth Plan Five Year plan;

(b) the number of families displaced due to the starting of mining activities;

(c) the mine-wise and district-wise details thereof; and

(d) the specific steps taken to protect the interest of tribals in the areas ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a) to (d): Under Section 10(3) of Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, Mining Leases are granted by the State Government concerned. Only in cases of some minerals specified under the First Schedule to the aforesaid Act, proposals are sent to the Central Government by the State Governments for prior approval as per the provisions of Section 5(1) of the aforesaid Act. As such, the details of the mining leases granted to Public Sector including those in Scheduled areas of different States including tribal families displaced etc. is not centrally maintained.